

## GALLIVAN ASSAILS PERSHING'S STAFF

Controlling Influence in It Was Leavenworth Clique, He Asserts.

BLAMED FOR INJUSTICE

Militarism Is Rampant in American Army, Declares Bay State Representative.

Special Dispatch to THE SUN. WASHINGTON, Feb. 1.—There are Huns behind the lines as well as in front of it, asserted Representative Gallivan, Democrat (Mass.), today in the House, "in the form of a military autocracy in the American army which the men in France had to fight against."

Mr. Gallivan renewed his attack on the "Leavenworth clique," which he asserted was responsible for the demotion of gallant officers not in its good graces. The influence of the "Leavenworth clique," the Representative emphatically announced, extended to the General Staff in Washington. Militarism, he asserted, is rampant in the American army.

Replying to a suggestion from Representative Decker (Mo.) that the state of affairs he described may have been in inception at West Point, Mr. Gallivan told the House that he was not attacking the military school, but insisted that West Point had been the training ground of a recent address of Acting Judge Advocate General Ames to the effect that the spirit of the men and not military science had won the war. He said that Ames had termed "unfair and unjust actions" on the part of influences abroad in the matter of promotions and demotions of officers.

Leavenworth Men Blamed.

"I am assured on high authority," Representative Gallivan said, "that these unfair and unjust actions are attributed to the so-called Leavenworth clique, and there are men from West Point who are not in the Leavenworth clique. The War Department has certain army schools at Leavenworth, Fort Leavenworth, and these men who come out of Leavenworth have become closely bandied together."

"Whether Gen. Pershing is the head, front and center of the Leavenworth clique I cannot say, but it is well known that the controlling influence in his staff were members of the Leavenworth clique. And unless I am led astray, men in the regular line, if assured of proper promotion, when Congress investigated the entire situation take the stand and under oath testify to the power and the influence and the unfairness of the Leavenworth clique."

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Coming Back Disgraced.

"Three men are coming back disgraced. Oh yes, when they come into New York or Boston or other parts of the country they are treated as heroes. They have defeated German autocracy, but I have talked with dozens of them and they have told me in many instances when they came back they were in front of them they had to watch for a few Huns behind them, and that is the worst thing that could happen to a man. It is no party question and the party that attempted to defend these men will go down in ignominious defeat."

"I am doing my party a service when I challenge the action of the men abroad and I want to say that the men of New England for whom I speak the other day, who are coming back only in drabs and drabs, are a unit in the criticism to which I have referred, and once more I beg the men of New England to stand up and defend the men of the House to keep quiet unless they can answer these attacks, and do not put the Democratic party in a hole."

Saunders Asks for Light.

"I am certainly not anxious to put anybody in a hole," interrupted Representative Saunders (Virginia), "but the statement that there were a few Huns in the rear of the American army conveys a very horrible idea and I want to know what is meant by it. You know who were the Huns in front and what they stood for. Does the gentleman mean to say that behind the American army there were men, officials or otherwise, who so far as our men in France were concerned stood with reference to them just as the German enemies in front of them stood?"

"I want to know specifically just what is meant by a statement of that sort. If there is any one who ought not to be protected I do not want to protect him and if there is anybody who ought to be punished I will join in feeling that he is punished."

In reply Mr. Gallivan said he was quoting the boys with whom he had talked and what they meant when they said they were "fighting the Huns behind them"; they meant "in all human probability the Hun autocracy which they were there to destroy but which they say is exemplified in our own ranks."

"They meant that that existed on the part of some of the officers in the American army," demanded Mr. Saunders.

"Exactly," replied Representative Gallivan.

Not Proud of High Command.

In his conversation with many returned soldiers Mr. Gallivan said he had not found one that was proud of the high command in France. He said hundreds of the letters he had received clearly did not reach back to mere rivalry for promotions between officers. "The letters I am reading are real letters which do not refer to individual promotions above the rank of captain or six general officers above the rank of captain who saw service abroad and were demoted, and in most instances the men who were in their places had not seen combat before."

"I can refer to a distinguished Brigadier-General of my city who had fought

longer than any Brigadier-General in the infantry. He was on the front line until November 6 and a division commander who was appointed to succeed him. Gen. Edwards removed him on November 6. Remember, on the 6th of November, although he had fought with his brigade from last February and the reason assigned was that he was not aggressive enough in his attacks. "He had been attacking and had gained a further advance in the enemy's line than any other brigade commander in the infantry. And in his brigade was a regiment which was cited as a regiment and the colors decorated. He asked for a court of inquiry and after the court was held and the papers were clear up the line they got to the commander in chief of the American Expeditionary Force. Gen. Pershing ordered the man back to his brigade and said he never should have been removed."

AGREE ON \$3,000,000 FOR NATIONAL GUARD

106,000 Officers and Men Provided For in Committee.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 1.—An appropriation of \$3,000,000 to maintain the National Guard at a strength of 106,000 officers and men during the next fiscal year was tentatively approved today by the Military Affairs Committee.

In its original estimates for the coming year the War Department submitted a tentative figure for the National Guard, to keep this appropriation alive, and when Gen. March was before the committee he explained that as the bulk of the old National Guard was still overseas, it was impossible to form any accurate estimate as to what the future of that branch of the military establishment would be.

In approving the \$3,000,000 appropriation committee members followed the recommendation of Brig. Gen. John W. Heavily, Chief of the Bureau of Military Affairs, who stated the amount would be sufficient because it was unlikely the National Guard after being discharged from Federal service, could be recruited up to 106,000 officers and men, the minimum provided for under the national defense act, before the next fiscal year was nearly over.

Gen. Heavily said that the expense of maintaining the National Guard at the maximum strength of 424,000 men, allowed by the national defense act, would be approximately \$190,000,000 a year, but that this would be reduced to \$50,000,000 if the War Department would transfer to it the surplus equipment.

U. S.-NORSE TREATY RENEWED.

Pact, Almost 100 Years Old, Changed Owing to Seamen's Law.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 1.—By an exchange of notes today between Assistant Secretary of State Phillips and Minister Bryn of Norway, the treaty of commerce and navigation between the United States and Norway, effective since 1825, has been renewed. The treaty, which was originally signed by the State Department a year ago, was continued in force with changes eliminating articles in conflict with the new Seamen's Law.

The treaty, nearly a century old, was one of a number of such conventions which the American Government found it necessary to renew with the required years' notice because of conflicts with the Seamen's act. The sections eliminated related to Norwegian consular control over Norwegian seamen in American ports. Without them, the treaty remains in effect just as it was negotiated in 1825.

ACCUSES U. S. COMPTROLLER.

Treadway Charges He Is Abusing Franking Privilege.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 1.—Representative Treadway, Republican (Massachusetts), charged in the House today that Comptroller of the Currency Williams was "abusing the franking privilege for personal support of himself as Comptroller."

Treadway declared that letters were sent to bankers on the general mailing list of the Comptroller's office in regard to an alleged attempt of a newspaper correspondent to prevent Senate confirmation of Mr. Williams as Comptroller. The letter referred to the correspondent being called to Mr. Williams' office, and Treadway questioned the Comptroller's right to call the correspondent before him for examination.

TWO ADMIRALS GOING TO SEA.

Welles and Eberle Assigned to Commands of Divisions.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 1.—Naval orders issued today assigned Rear Admiral Roger Welles, Director of the Bureau of Naval Intelligence, to command Division One of the Atlantic fleet; Rear Admiral Edward W. Eberle, recently superintendent at Annapolis, to command Division Five, and Captain George W. Steele to command the fleet air detachment.

Captain Archibald H. Scates, commander of the Great Lakes Naval Training Station, was detailed as superintendent at Annapolis, to fill the vacancy left by Rear Admiral Eberle.

Barton Home to Be Museum.

BORDENTOWN, Feb. 1.—The school building in which Clara Barton, the famous Red Cross worker, first taught school in Bordentown will be purchased and set aside as a landmark and as a "museum" of relics of the great war.

Confirmation of Mr. Williams' recent visit to the National Security League are carried out. The structure is occupied by a negro family.

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NECKWEAR—Of specially woven Oriental Silks, in a variety of exclusive designs and colorings. Prices \$1 to \$3.00.

PAJAMAS—Men's Pajamas of Japanese Washable Habutai Silk, made especially to our order by a manufacturer who specializes in pajama-making, in white, light blue, pink and lavender. Price per pair, \$12.

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A. A. Vantine & Co., Inc.

Fifth Ave. & 39th St.

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## CONFEREES AGREE ON WAR TAX BILL

Final Draft Will Be Put Before House Friday and Senate Saturday.

PASSAGE SEEMS CERTAIN

Wrangle Over Campaign Levy in \$6,000,000,000 Measure Adjusted.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 1.—The war revenue bill, revised to raise about \$6,000,000,000 by taxation this year, and \$4,000,000,000 annually thereafter, assumed final form late today when the Senate and House conferees reached a complete agreement on the measure. It will be presented to the House Wednesday.

The conferees already had announced agreements on all tax rate adjustments. Today was devoted to comparatively minor provisions. Among these was the tax on campaign contributions. A Senate provision which the House rejected, providing that the tax should be applied to all future campaigns, was accepted. It was reported, yielding the amendment and agreed to its elimination.

Bill Ready for Passage.

The conference report and final revision will be called up in the House Friday with the expectation of its approval before adjournment. It will go to the Senate Saturday, and Chairman Simmons of the Senate managers said tonight its passage was certain.

Absence of President Wilson, the conferees stated, made doubtful the exact date the new tax law would become effective, but would not interfere with Treasury plans for collection of the new taxes.

President Wilson probably will be on the point of sailing when legislative action on the bill is concluded, Senator Simmons said tonight that the emergency provision, which he had been working for his approval, he then would have ten days to consider it.

Agreement by the conferees paves the way for final enactment of the legislation which President Wilson and former Secretary McAdoo asked last May. The final draft, like both House and Senate measures, provides that the gross levy will be shared equally between the Federal Government and the States.

CLAUSE LAFFIN, who says he was for the last eight years a servant in the household of Oliver H. Payne, who died in his fifth avenue home in August, 1917, filed in the County Clerk's office yesterday, summons and complaint in a suit for \$4,000 against Payne's estate.

The suit, which charges that Payne, as executor of the estate of the late Mrs. Laffin, had employed him for two years or more to receive a legacy of \$3,000, and to pay it to himself, was filed in the County Clerk's office yesterday.

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The Rev. Dr. Eaton Styles Him a Mere Burglar.

SHIP STRIKE BREAKS CONTRACT, SAYS PIEZ

Fleet Corporation Director Refuses to Deal With Men Who Went Out.

REFUSES TO COMPROMISE

Solemn Agreement of Leaders Deliberately Ignored by Men, He Says.

Special Dispatch to THE SUN.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Feb. 1.—Charles Piez, Director-General of the Emergency Fleet Corporation, today authorized a statement in regard to the strike of shipyard workers on the Pacific Coast.

"The strike," he said, "is a direct violation of a solemn contract entered into by the American Federation of Labor, representing the shipyard workers, the United States Navy and the United States Shipping Board Emergency Fleet Corporation."

The men involved in the strike should realize that the emergency of war is past and that the need of ships is not as great as while the war was in progress.

"The Emergency Fleet Corporation, as trustee of the money of the people of the United States, cannot compromise a vital moral principle. It is bound by an agreement with the shipyard workers throughout the country which is enforceable, except through modification by mutual consent."

"The shipbuilding labor adjusting board, popularly known as the Macy board, is the tribunal before which the shipyard workers, Navy Department and the Emergency Fleet Corporation agreed to submit all questions involving wages, hours and working conditions. In striking before the expiration of the Macy award which fixed the rate of wages to be paid until March 31, 1919, the men were guilty of a breach of agreement solemnly entered into by their international presidents, and by this action they have repudiated the verdict of the supreme tribunal they helped to create."

"The decisions of this tribunal have been and must continue to be binding on the Emergency Fleet Corporation and the workers alike. So long as the workers remain away from their posts, the Emergency Fleet Corporation cannot treat with them."

"The original agreement, which was entered into in August, 1917, and which created the Macy board, was a joint agreement between the Emergency Fleet Corporation and the Navy. It was amended in December, 1917, and in this form was signed by Franklin D. Roosevelt, president of the Navy, and Charles Piez of the Emergency Fleet Corporation, William Blackman of the Emergency Fleet Corporation, James O'Connell, president of the Metal Trades Department, John I. Noland of the International Union of North America, J. P. Franklin, international president of the United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners of America, James Wilson, president of the American Shipbuilders' Association, Milton Shulman, general president of the International Union of Steam and Shipbuilding Engineers, W. C. Vandenberg, general vice-president of the International Brotherhood of Blacksmiths and Helpers, E. D. McNulty, R. M. W. John J. Hayes, president of the Amalgamated Sheet Metal Workers of America, and William H. Johnston, I. A. M. per H. Platters."

"This agreement provided for the appointment of a board to adjust all differences, such board to consist of three persons, one to represent the public, to be appointed by the President of the United States, one to be appointed by Samuel Gompers, representing the American Federation of Labor, and one to be appointed jointly by the Emergency Fleet Corporation and the Navy."

"The President of the United States placed his influence behind the enterprise by appointing the chairman of the board."

"The decisions of the board will, in so far as this agreement may be capable of achieving such results, be final and binding upon all parties, provided, however, that either the employers or employees may have the right to appeal from the decisions of the adjustment board to a board of review and appeal."

NEW HAVEN TO CUT SUNDAY TRAINS.

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Feb. 1.—Orders operative to-morrow will decrease the number of freight trains over the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad on Sunday hereafter. Shop and station work is to be curtailed sharply, with the object of eliminating non-essential Sunday work.

Acc to Attend Dinner to Wallis.

Capt. Edward Rickenbacker, American ace, will be one of the 200 guests at a dinner to be held February 4 in the Waldorf-Astoria in honor of Frederick A. Wallis, Fourth Deputy Police Commissioner. A large number of business and professional men have been invited by R. C. C. Smith, chairman. Mayor Hyman, Chancellor M. Dewey, former Senator Burton, Alton R. Parker and John Hedges are expected to speak. Geraldine Farrar and Enrico Caruso will sing. Secretary Baker also has been invited. George T. Wilson will be toastmaster.

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